Family Health in Rhode Island

INPUT FOR THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S 2008 FAMILY HEALTH PLAN



Please take a few minutes to fill out this input form for the next Family Health Plan in Rhode Island. Your input is very important to us, you can return it by: **fax** to 401-222-1442; **email** to Sue.DugganBall@health.ri.gov; or **mail** to Sue Duggan-Ball, Rhode Island Department of Health, 3 Capitol Hill, Room 302, Providence, RI 02908. Thank you.

The 2007 Family Health in Rhode Island Plan outlined the following **eight high priorities** for the Department of Health's Division of Family Health. Under each of the eight priorities, write down critical action steps, interventions, or policies you see as necessary to achieve progress in the area.

1. Improve maternal health, including pregnancy outcomes – especially premature births.
2. Promote healthy lifestyles and healthy weights for school aged children.
3. Support safe and healthy environments for children and families.
4. Ensure access to medical homes for all families, including school-age youth and young adults.

. Engage and empowe	er parents and guardians as healthcare advocates for their families.
. Address social, emot	tional, and behavioral health needs of children and young adults.
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